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Case Docket No: 0992RF.044918

Date: April 24, 2006

In re application
Inventor: Jay W. Carter, Jr.

Serial No.: 10/782,353

Filed: 02/19/2004

For: **Tilting Mast in a Rotorcraft**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application

 x No additional fee is required

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| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | | | | | | |
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| (1) | (2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | (3) | (4) HIGHEST NO. PRE- VIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5) PRESENT EXTRA | (6) RATE | (7) ADDITIONAL FEE |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 16 | MINUS | 23 | 0 | X \$18/9 | |
| INDEPEN- DENT CLAIMS | 2 | MINUS | 3 | 0 | X \$84/42 | |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: \$0 | | | | | | |

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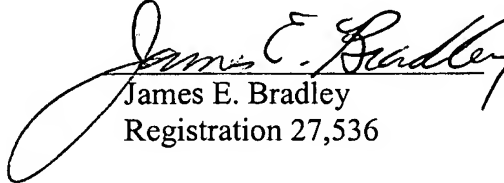
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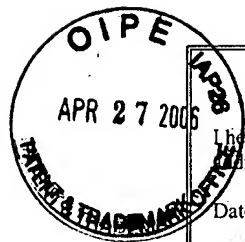
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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action mailed January 24, 2006, please amend the application as follows: